

**CONVOY ATTACHMENT:****ATTACHMENT C**

Permits allowing movement in convoys may be issued for oversize vehicles or vehicles with loads when criteria for weather, road conditions, traffic and safety are met. Convoy movement shall be issued on a single trip basis only. Convoys must meet the following conditions:

**NUMBER AND SIZE:**

1. The number of vehicles in a convoy is limited to no more than three off-road types or two vehicles with loads.
2. The combined lengths of the vehicles, excluding the escort vehicles, must not exceed 200 feet.
3. The maximum width of vehicles or vehicles with loads is 14 feet.

**RESTRICTED AREAS:**

Convoys are not allowed in the Anchorage and Fairbanks urban areas. These areas are defined as: In Anchorage the north urban area boundary is the Glenn Highway weigh stations and the south urban area boundary is the Potter weigh station on the Seward Highway. In Fairbanks the north urban area boundary is the Fox weigh station at the intersection of the Steese and Elliott Highways, the east urban area boundary will be at the northern junction of Badger Road and the Richardson Highway, and the west urban area boundary is the Ester weigh station.

An exception has been given for convoyed loads to remain in convoy formation when traveling between the Parks Highway and the Steese/Elliott/Dalton Highways via Sheep Creek and Goldstream Roads. This exception does not exempt convoys from peak traffic or any other requirement. Convoys using other routes are required to shuttle separately.

Convoys in outlying areas not connected by a main highway system will only be allowed on a case by case basis with the authorization of DOT and local police and/or troopers.

**ESCORT VEHICLES/CONVOY SIGNS:**

Two escort vehicles are required for a convoy. One is to travel in the front of the convoy and one in the rear. They are both required to display a "CONVOY" sign, in addition to the standard "OVERSIZE" signs. The "CONVOY" sign shall state the word "CONVOY" in black letters, and must be a minimum of 8 inches in height with a 1½ inches brush stroke. The background shall be yellow. All vehicles in a convoy are required to display the "OVERSIZE" sign. Both escort vehicles are to remain in place north of Coldfoot for those loads traveling to Prudhoe Bay.

**PLACEMENT OF CONVOY SIGNS:**

The front "CONVOY" sign may be mounted either on the front or roof of the front escort vehicle. When roof mounted, the sign must not obstruct the rotating or flashing amber beacon. The rear "CONVOY" sign shall be mounted on the rear of the rear escort vehicle or be roof mounted and facing the rear. The "CONVOY" signs must not obstruct the "OVERSIZE" signs.

**TRAFFIC CONTROL:**

Permitted loads traveling in convoy may not exceed the most restrictive speed noted on any of the permits.

No more than 5 vehicles shall be allowed to build up behind a convoy at any time. Where it is not feasible to pull off the roadway, convoys must come to a complete stop and flagpersons equipped with the proper vests, hand paddles and red flags are required to direct the traffic buildup. The maximum distance between units in a convoy is 1,000 feet. If two convoys are involved, a minimum distance of one mile must be maintained between the rear escort vehicle of the first convoy and the front escort vehicle of the second convoy at all times.

Convoys are allowed to travel during hours of darkness with proper lighting as outlined on Attachments HD.

NOTE: A VIOLATION OF THIS ATTACHMENT MAY RESULT IN VOIDING THE PERMIT (S) AND MAY BE GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF FUTURE CONVOYED MOVES.